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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Marc ALIZON et al.) Group Art Unit: 1813
Serial No.: 08/384,248) Examiner: J. Parkin
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For: METHOD OF PRODUCING ANTIBODIES TO ANTIGENS OF HUMAN
IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS TYPE 1 (HIV-1)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

RESPONSE TO PAPER No. 16

In response to the Office Action mailed December 22, 1995, applicants present the following remarks. A Transmittal Letter including the appropriate extension of time and fee accompany this paper.

REMARKS

Claims 23, 32, and 33 are being examined. Applicants request reconsideration and reexamination. In light of the following comments, applicants submit that this application is in condition for allowance and respectfully request favorable action.

Claims 23, 32, and 33 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as the specification allegedly does not provide support for the claimed invention. Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

The Office identifies a lack of "support" as the basis for this rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph. (Paper No. 16, at page 2.) The comments following the paragraph

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